Support Materials:

The Elements of Dance

Who? A DANCER	Does what? MOVES	Where? THROUGH SPACE	When? AND TIME	How? WITH ENERGY
BODY	ACTION	SPACE	TIME	ENERGY
 Parts of the body: Head, eyes, torso, shoulders, fingers, legs, feet Initiation: Core, distal, mid-limb, body parts Patterns: Upper/lower body, homologous, contralateral, midline Body shapes: Symmetrical, asymetrical, rounded, twisted, angular, arabesque Body systems: Muscles, bones, organs, breath, balance, reflexes Inner self: Senses, perceptions, emotions 	Non-locomotor: Stretch, bend. twist, turn, rise, fall, swing, rock, tip, shake, suspend Locomotor: Slide, walk, hop, somersault, run, skip jump, do-si-do leap, roll, crawl, gallop	Size:Large, small, narrow, wideLevel:High, medium, lowPlace:On the spot (personal space), through the space (general space)Direction:Forward, backward, sideways, diagonal right/leftOrientation: Facing, turned awayPathway: Curved, straight, zig-zag, randomRelationships: In front, behind, over, beside, under, alone, group	Metered: Pulse, tempo, accent, rhythmic pattern, speeding up, slowing down, anacrusis Free Rhythm: Breath, sensed time, improvisation, cued Clock time: Seconds, minutes, hours Timing Relationships: Before, after, unison, sooner than, faster than	Attack: Sharp, smooth, sudden, sustained Weight: Strong, light, heavy, weak Flow: Free, bound, balanced, neutral Quality: Tense, relaxed, tight, loose, sharp, smooth, swinging, swaying, suspended, collapsed